

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2893
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SUPPLY OF CONTAMINATED WATER IN TRAINS .
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware that contaminated water being supplied to passengers in trains as reported in 'Navbharat Times' dated September 9, 2000;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of complaints received by the Government in this regard during the last one year;
- (d) the action taken against the suppliers of water to the Railways; and
- (e) the measures taken to supply pure and safe drinking water to passengers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

- (a) & (b) No, Sir. The complaint that appeared in the 'Navbharat Times' has been investigated and it has not been substantiated.
- (c) 6 (Six).
- (d) Complaints are investigated at appropriate level and action taken against suppliers under PFA. Act. 1954.
- (e) Procurement of mineral water for supply to the passengers has been made stringent in close coordination and direction from Ministry of Health to ensure quality and hygiene. Frequent checks are being conducted at various levels by Commercial and Health officers and regular sample checks are being undertaken under the PFA Act. 1954.